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GOVERNMENT OF PUNJAB

DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIES AND COMMERCE

(TEXTILE BRANCH)

NOTIFICATION

The 25th September, 2025

No.HL/Tex/Office Implementation/4804-B.-

Subject: Establishment of Headquarter of Enforcement Machinery at Chandigarh under the Protection of Handloom Scheme and the Handloom (Reservation of Articles for Production) Act, 1985

In exercise of the powers conferred under the **Handlooms (Reservation of Articles for Production) Act, 1985 (22 of 1985),** and in pursuance of the objectives of the **Scheme for Protection of Handlooms,** it is hereby notified that the Government of India, Ministry of Textiles, Office of Development Commissioner for Handlooms, Udyog Bhawan, New Delhi has approved the establishment of an **Enforcement Machinery Office** in the **State of Punjab** with immediate effect vide F.No. 10/01/2024/DCH/Ent/Punjab/174 dated 30.5.25 at Department of Industries and Commerce, Punjab, 17-Bays Building, Sector-17, Chandigarh.

1. Purpose:

The said headquarter is being set up to facilitate the implementation of the Protection of Handloom Scheme in the State of Punjab in terms of Reservation of Articles for Protection Act 1985.

2. Jurisdiction:

The Chandigarh-based headquarter shall exercise jurisdiction over the entire territory of the State of Punjab, and shall coordinate with regional and district-level enforcement units established or to be established under the scheme.

3. Objectives of the Enforcement Machinery:

- To enforce existing laws and regulations to deter the production and sale of counterfeit textile products within the state.
- To ensure that textile products labeled with IHB and HLM, GI Tags adhere to the specific criteria and are genuinely representatives of Punjab unique culture and traditional heritage.
- To educate consumers about the significance of GI tags and the risks associated with counterfeit textile products.

› To provide guidance, training and resources to local weavers, artisans and textile producers.

4. Functions and Responsibilities:

The Enforcement Machinery headquarters at Chandigarh shall:

a) Monitor compliance with the provisions of the Handloom (Reservation of Articles for Production) Act, 1985;
b) Conduct inspections, inquiries, and enforcement drives as necessary;
c) Prevent unauthorized production of reserved handloom articles by power loom or mill sector;
d) Assist in awareness generation and outreach activities related to Handloom protection;
e) Report violations and initiate action as per legal provisions;
f) Submit regular reports to the State and Central Government Authorities.

5. Staff Pattern for Enforcement Machinery:

The enforcement Machinery will consist of division (at HQ) for quality control, market surveillance, consumer affairs and capacity building. This division (at HQ) will be provided staff as per the guidelines issued under Handlooms and implementation of Handloom (Reservation of Articles for Production) Act 1985. The Structure for this office is as per **Annexure –I.**

6. Funds for the Scheme:

The said scheme to set up its office of Enforcement Machinery in the State of Punjab is to be fully funded by Central Government as per provisions of the guidelines issued by the Government of India, Ministry of Textiles, Development Commissioner (Handlooms). The funds received from the GoI, shall be placed in the Saving Bank account opened in the name of Deputy Director (Textiles), Department of Industries and Commerce, Punjab, Chandigarh. The financial power to withdraw the amount from the respective bank account is attached as **Annexure-II.**

7. Administration and Supervision:

The Headquarter shall function under the overall administrative control of the Director of Industries and Commerce, Punjab, and will work in coordination with the Office of the Development Commissioner for Handlooms, Ministry of Textiles and Government of India.

8. Date of applicability :

This notification shall come into force with immediate effect from the date of its publication in the Punjab Govt. Official Gazette.

Sd/-
(K.K.YADAV, IAS)
Administrative Secretary to Govt. of Punjab
Department of Industries and Commerce.

ANNEXURE-I

Staff Pattern for Enforcement Machinery

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Staff Pattern for setting up of enforcement machinery in the Head Offices –

Sr. No.	Designation	Revised salary cost W.E.F. 2021		
		Consolidated Revised Salary Per Month	No. of Posts	Salary (Per Month)
1.	Deputy Director/ Enforcement Officer	62600/-	1	62600/-
2.	Enforcement Inspector	41200/-	3	123600/-
3.	Legal Assistant	41200/-	1	41200/-
4.	LDC/Typist	21700/-	2	43400/-
5.	Constable/ Constable-cum-Driver	Nil	Nil	Nil
6.	Driver (regular/ Contract basis)	21700/-	1	21700/-
7.	Sub-Staff (for MTS) (regular/ Contract basis)	21700/-	1	21700/-
Total			9	314200/-
8	(i) Expenditure on Salary per annum		**3770400/-**	
	(ii) TA/DA per annum		227272/-	
	(iii) Office Expenses		242424/-	
	(iv) Hiring of Professional/Legal Agency/ Experts/Legal Expenses		303030/-	
	(v) Staff/ Consumer/ Stakeholder Training/ Education/ Awareness		1818000/-	
	(vi) Non-recurring Expenditure (Office Expenses for purchase of computer, one time during 2021-22 to 2025-26)		45454/-	
	(vii)Non-Recurring Expenditure for purchase of one vehicle (One Time)		Rs.475000/- plus applicable taxes/charges or Rs. 650000/- whichever is less	

ANNEXURE-II

The Financial powers to withdraw the amount from the Saving Bank account, opened for the purpose of establishment of Enforcement Machinery in the State of Punjab, Department of Industries and Commerce, Punjab, Sector-17, Chandigarh and recurring and non-recurring expenditure shall be borne from the said bank account as under:-

Sr. No.	Designation of the Officer	Powers	Remarks
1.	Deputy Director (Textiles), Department of Industries and Commerce, Punjab, Chandigarh.	Upto 10 Lakhs	Expenditure shall be borne at his own level.
2.	Director of Industries and Commerce, Punjab, Chandigarh	Above 10 Lakhs	Expenditure shall be borne with the approval of Director of Industries & Commerce, Punjab.

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